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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 2850**

PATENT

Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 9131.0017-00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
HARRIS, R.J. ) Group Art Unit: 2856  
Application No.: 10/616,890 ) Examiner: RAEVIS, Robert R.  
Filed: July 9, 2003 )  
For: SLIDING PIPE PLUG ) Confirmation No.: 1683  
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**MAIL STOP AF**  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed October 24, 2005, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper beginning  
on page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper beginning on  
page 9.